

This is an 1897 ad for the Ed win F Bailey Lumberyard and Molding Milh. Edwin Bailey started with a small lumberyard on Oak Street in 1869. In 1885 he moved his business to the southwest corner of Division Street and West Avenue, alongside the Patchogue River. Over the next fifty years his business grew into one of the biggest lumber mills on Long Island. He also had branch yards in Sayville and Islip.



An 1923 aerial view of the Bailey Mill and Lumber Yard. The location of the mill was perfect for the shipping and handling of large quantities of lumber. The south shore railroad line borders on the north end of the mill and the Patchogue River on the west end.